WHEREAS; agriculture is a major economic driver in Wisconsin, contributing \$104.8 billion and 435,700 jobs each year to our state's economy; and

WHEREAS; the agriculture industry provides job opportunities in many different areas, from information technology to business management to marketing to hands-on farming and more; and

WHEREAS; agricultural education is a key component of the Wisconsin education system that enhances the social, economic, and environmental well-being of our state; and

WHEREAS; FFA is a dynamic youth organization with over 700,000 members nationwide that changes lives and prepares members for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Association of FFA was established in 1929 and has grown to include over 20,000 members in 250 FFA chapters around the state; and

WHEREAS; FFA members are part of a total program in agricultural education, consisting of classroom instruction in agriculture, supervised agricultural experiences where students gain career skills and on-the-job training, and leadership development through the FFA organization; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection in commending FFA members throughout our state for their dedication to leadership, growth, and agricultural education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 20 through 27, 2021, as

FFA WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State

of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done 2021.	e at the Capitol in th	ne City of Madison	n this 10 th day o	of February
TONY EVERS, Governor				
By the Governor:				
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secr	retary of State			